Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law. Act 521 of the Regular Session

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| 2 | 95th General Assembly | A Bill | | | | |
| 3 | Regular Session, 2025 | | HOUSE | BILL | 1274 | |
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| 5 | By: Representative Warren | 1 | | | | |
| 6 | By: Senator C. Penzo | | | | | |
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| 8 | | For An Act To Be Entitled | | | | |
| 9 | AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE COLLECTION OF | | | | | |
| 10 | REAL PRO | PERTY TAXES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES; | ; ТО | | | |
| 11 | ALLOW A TITLE INSURANCE AGENT, TITLE INSURER, OR | | | | | |
| 12 | TITLE COMPANY TO PAY REAL PROPERTY TAXES IN | | | | | |
| 13 | CONJUNCTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF A TITLE; AND FOR | | | | | |
| 14 | OTHER PU | JRPOSES. | | | | |
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| 18 | ТО | ALLOW A TITLE INSURANCE AGENT, TITLE | | | | |
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| 20 | PROPERTY TAXES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE | | | | | |
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| 23 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE | E GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANS | SAS: | | | |
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| 25 | SECTION 1. A1 | rkansas Code § 26-35-601(b), concerning t | the colle | ction | of | |
| 26 | personal property ta | axes with real estate taxes, is amended t | to read a | S | | |
| 27 | follows: | | | | | |
| 28 | (b) Any <u>Exce</u> | ot as provided in subdivisions (c)(2)-(4) |) of this | sect | ion, | |
| 29 | <u>a</u> county collector k | knowingly accepting payment of general re | eal estat | e tax | es | |
| 30 | without requiring th | he payment of personal property taxes due | e as refl | ected | by | |
| 31 | the records in the county collector's office shall be deemed guilty of a | | | | | |
| 32 | violation and upon conviction shall be fined in a sum not less than twenty- | | | | | |
| 33 | five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100). | | | | | |
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| 35 | SECTION 2. AI | rkansas Code § 26-35-601(c)(3), concernin | ng the co | llect | ion | |
| 36 | of personal property | v taxes with real estate taxes, is amende | ed to rea | d as | | |



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| 1 | follows: |
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| 2 | (3) <u>(A)</u> Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, a |
| 3 | county collector shall accept payment of general real estate taxes on a |
| 4 | parcel of property at the time the ownership of the property is being |
| 5 | transferred if the taxpayer transferring title to the property has paid all |
| 6 | delinquent personal property taxes. |
| 7 | (B)(i) A county collector who receives a written or |
| 8 | electronically delivered request from a person or entity facilitating the |
| 9 | closing of a real estate transaction for a statement of all real estate taxes |
| 10 | owed for the parcel or parcels being conveyed and any related delinquent |
| 11 | personal property taxes owed by the owner of the parcel or parcels being |
| 12 | conveyed shall respond in writing or by electronic mail within three (3) |
| 13 | business days of receiving the request. |
| 14 | (ii) If a county collector fails to comply with |
| 15 | subdivision (c)(3)(B)(i) of this section, he or she shall accept the payment |
| 16 | of the real estate taxes due on the parcel or parcels that were the subject |
| 17 | of the request under subdivision (c)(3)(B)(i) of this section without |
| 18 | requiring the payment of any related personal property taxes. |
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| 20 | /s/Warren |
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